

REMARKS

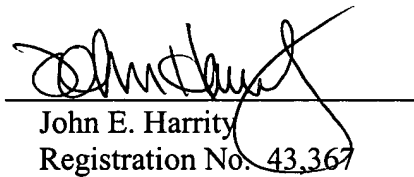
Prior to examination of the present application, please cancel claim 1 and add new claims 25-46. No new matter has been added by way of the present preliminary amendment. Claims 25-46 are pending. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 13-2491 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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